

<p align="center">REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL</p> <p align="center">Address to: Commissioner for Patents Box RCE Washington, DC 20231</p>	Application Number	10/506,751
	Filing Date	September 3, 2005
	First Named Inventor	Katsuya Yamamoto
	Art Unit	2683
	Examiner Name	Ariel A. Balaoing
	Attorney Docket No.	09792909-6475 (formerly 09792486-0154)

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Consider the AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on February 10, 2006.
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☐ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☒ Petition for Extension of Time
- 3. Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any discrepancies, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 19-3140
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the filing fee of \$1810.00 (the basic RCE filing fee and 3 month extension of time fee) to American Express credit card. Credit Card payment authorization for the fee is made via the electronic submission process. Applicant(s) hereby petition for any extension of time needed to ensure that this submission is timely filed.

WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.

14. ☒ Customer No. 26263

Dated: May 8, 2006

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